

# Texas City Emergency Management and Homeland Security

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2025



# Phases of Emergency Management

## Mitigation

- Prevent or lessen the effects of a disaster.

## Preparedness

- Planning for disasters in an all-hazards approach. Trying to predict the next disaster and ensuring everyone is prepared.

## Response

- Utilize the ICS to ensure the most efficient and effective response
- This would include responses from various agencies, including PD, Fire, EMS, state, local, and federal, contractors, non-profits, media, RP, and numerous other types of organizations.

## Recovery

- Use every available resource to recover from the disaster to get back to normal and be better than before.

# Primary Responsibility of Emergency Management

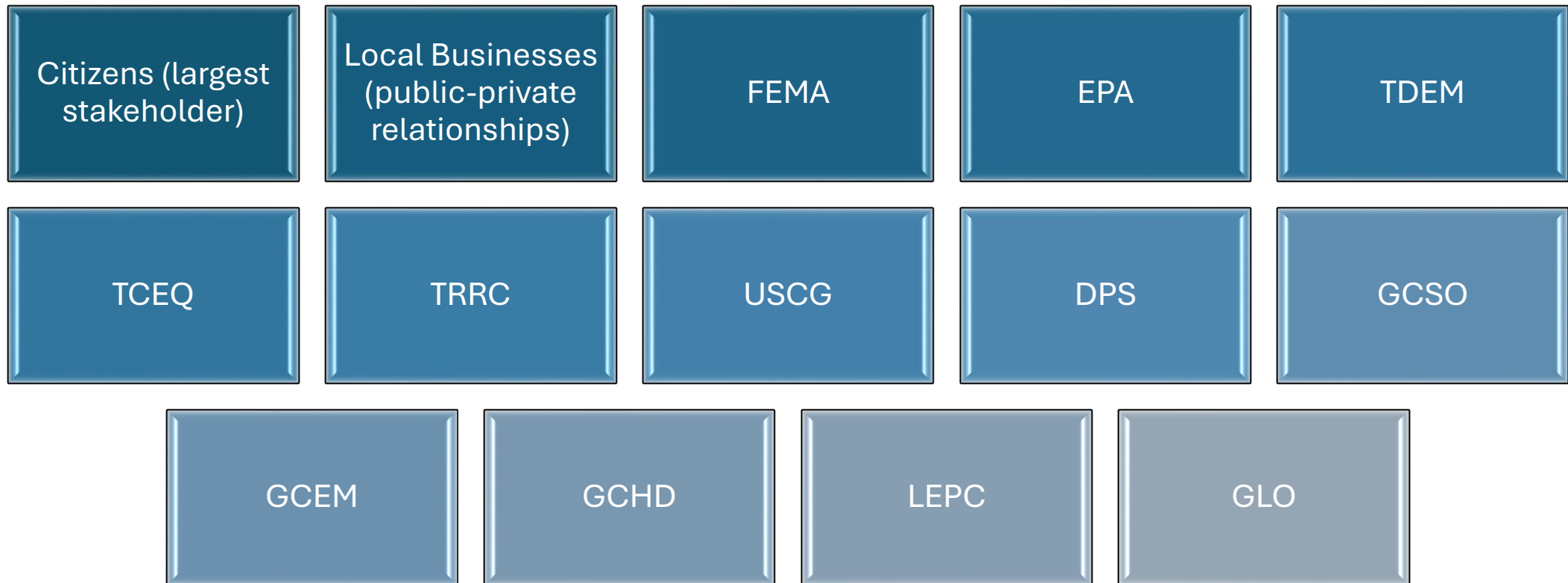
## To ensure the safety and security of the public

- Industrial/hazmat incidents
- Weather-related incidents
- Homeland Security
- Any threat to the public

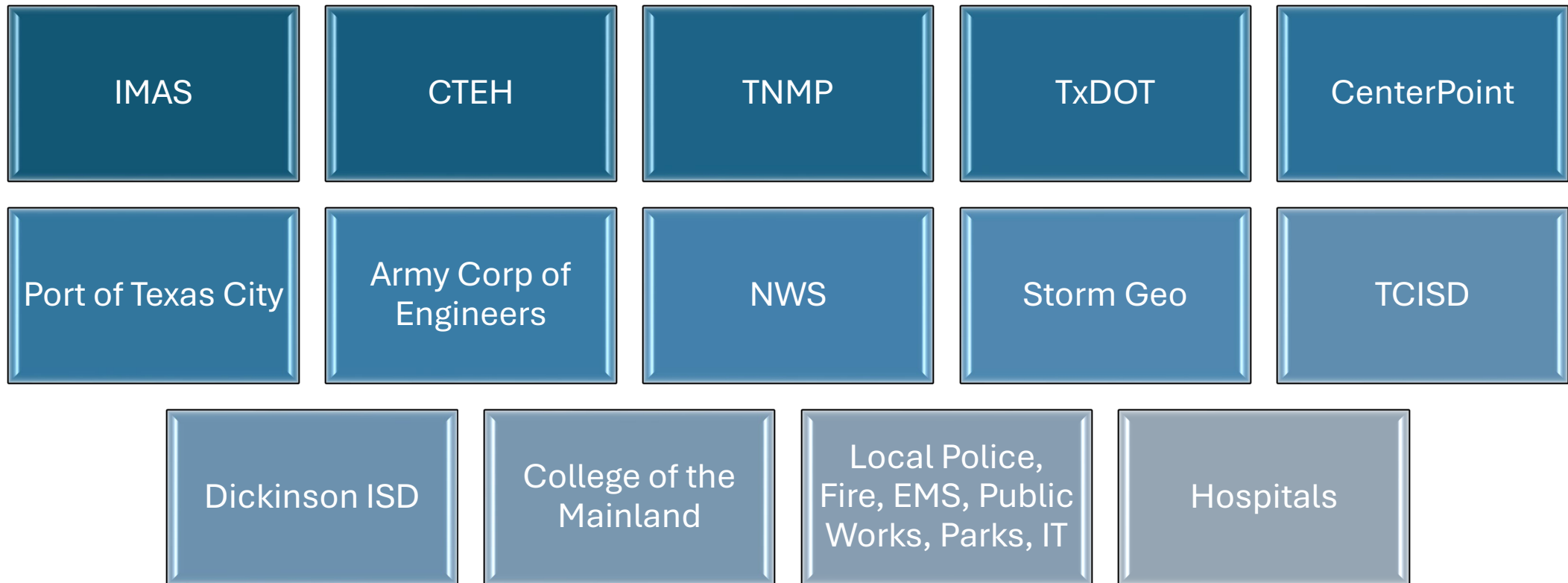
## Organize multi-agency response

- ICS

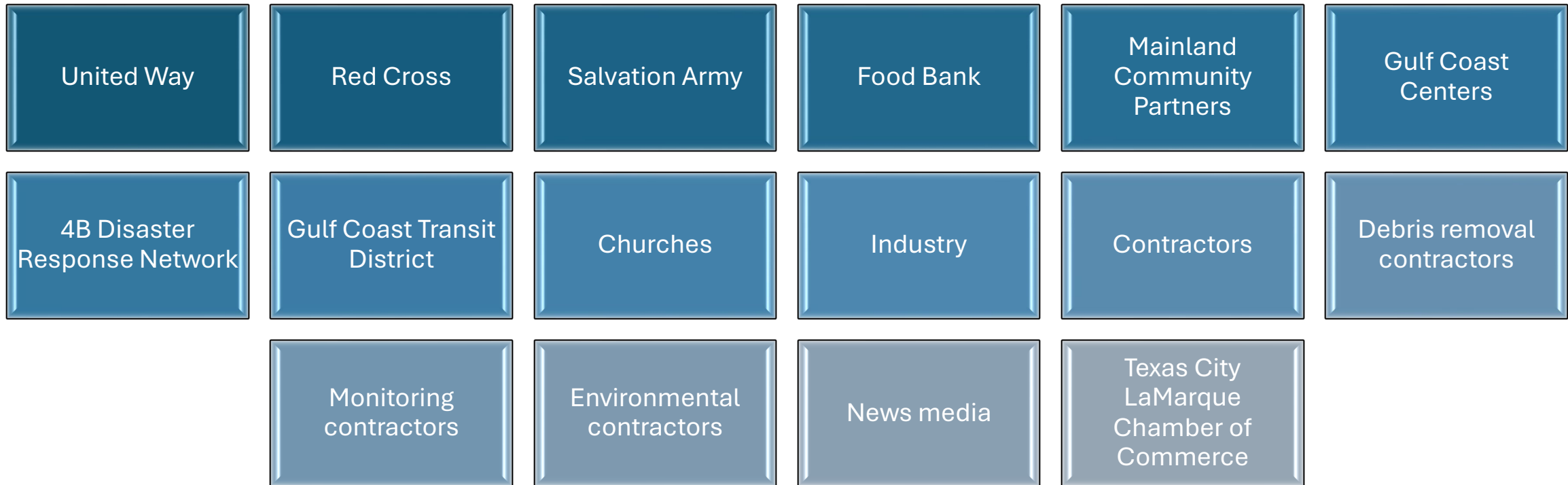
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# **Some Significant Events**

# Winter Storm Enzo 2025

## January 15th-22nd

A winter storm is expected to impact our area Monday, Jan. 20 through Wednesday, Jan. 22, bringing below-freezing temperatures and possible snow and ice.

Please use this weekend to make preparations and protect your pipes.

## WINTER STORM

INFORMATION TO HELP YOU PREPARE  
JANUARY 2025



### WEATHER FORECAST

Very cold weather is forecast for our area, with the coldest temperatures expected Monday, Jan. 20 through Wednesday, Jan. 22. The chance of snow and/or a hard freeze is increasing.

Residents are encouraged to closely monitor local weather forecasts and begin cold weather preparations now.

### PIPES

To prevent frozen pipes, wrap exposed pipes and open cabinet doors to allow air circulation around indoor pipes. Let cold water drip from faucets. If you leave your home, turn off the water supply and drain all pipes.

CHECK THE LATEST ROAD CONDITIONS  
[DriveTexas.org](http://DriveTexas.org)

POWER OUTAGES  
[TNMP.com](http://TNMP.com)

### PEOPLE

Check on neighbors, especially the elderly or vulnerable, to ensure they are prepared for extended cold weather.

### STAY CONNECTED

Office of Emergency Management  
[facebook.com/TexasCityEM](https://facebook.com/TexasCityEM)

City of Texas City  
[facebook.com/CityofTexasCity](https://facebook.com/CityofTexasCity)

### PETS

Protect pets from exposure to cold temperatures by bringing them indoors or providing adequate shelter. Shorten their walks and limit time outdoors.

### WARMING CENTER

510 13th Ave. N.  
Opens at 6pm on Sat. 1/18/25  
Closes morning of Thurs. 1/23/25  
Open 24 hours/day  
14091 739-2288

### PLANTS

Bring plants indoors or cover them with two layers (e.g., a towel and a sheet) to protect them from freezing temperatures.

### HEAT

Never use generators indoors. Never use an oven/stove to heat your home. Keep space heaters away from flammable objects and never leave unattended.

A winter storm is expected tonight, bringing below-freezing temperatures, the possibility of a couple of inches of snow, a hard freeze and potentially dangerous road conditions.

If you have not finished preparing already, please use this afternoon to get ready.

Please stay safe, stay warm and, if possible, stay home.

## FREEZE INFORMATION

### CITY CLOSURES

**City Hall**  
closed Monday, Jan. 20 and Tuesday, Jan. 21

**Trash Collection/Service**  
normal schedule on Monday, Jan. 20; not running on Tuesday, Jan. 21

**Water Billing Office**  
closed Monday, Jan. 20 and Tuesday, Jan. 21

**Moore Memorial Library**  
closed Monday, Jan. 20 and Tuesday, Jan. 21

**Municipal Court**  
closed Monday, Jan. 20 and Tuesday, Jan. 21  
\*The court docket scheduled for Jan. 21 will be rescheduled.  
Defendants should contact the court when it reopens at (409) 643-5800 for more information.

**Bayou Golf Course**  
closed Monday, Jan. 20 and Tuesday, Jan. 21

**Lewry Fitness Center**  
closed Monday, Jan. 20 and Tuesday, Jan. 21

**Shooting Range**  
closed Monday, Jan. 20 and Tuesday, Jan. 21

**Texas City ISO**  
closed Monday, Jan. 20; Tuesday, Jan. 21; Wednesday, Jan. 22

**Dickinson ISO**  
closed Monday, Jan. 20; Tuesday, Jan. 21; Wednesday, Jan. 22

**College of the Mainland**  
closed Monday, Jan. 20 and Tuesday, Jan. 21

### CONTACT INFORMATION

**Public Works - 409-643-5810** to report downed street signs or traffic lights

**Utilities - 409-643-5860** to report broken pipes

**Texas City Police Non-Emergency Number - 409-948-2525**

**TNMP - (888) 866-7456** to report an outage, or scan the QR Code

For updates on road conditions, please visit [DriveTexas.org](http://DriveTexas.org)

### WARMING CENTERS

**St. George's Texas City**  
510 13th Avenue N.  
Texas City, TX 77590

**Salvation Army Galveston**  
601 51st  
Galveston, TX 77551

**Christus Our Daily Bread Nutritious Meals and Clothing**  
2420 Winnie St, Galveston, TX 77550

**Power Play**  
401 Laurel St, La Marque, TX, 77568,

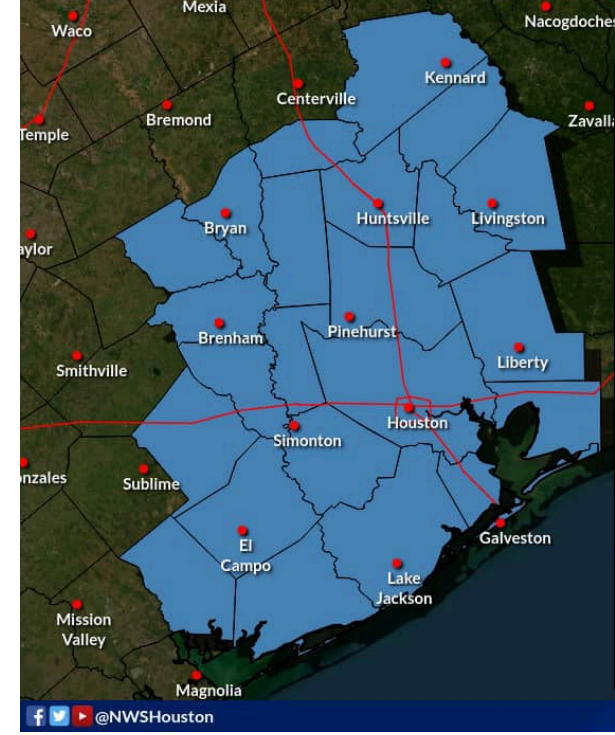
**Faith Assembly Church**  
825 Grand Ave. Bayliff

**FOR MORE INFORMATION AND UPDATES VISIT [TEXASCITYTX.GOV](http://TEXASCITYTX.GOV)**

## Winter Storm Watch In Effect

6PM Monday - 6PM Tuesday

Weather Forecast Office  
Houston/Galveston TX  
Issued Jan 19, 2025 6:49 AM CST



### WINTER STORM WATCH

In effect 6PM Monday - 6PM Tuesday

- Heavy snow and sleet possible.
- Potential heavy bands of snow could result in snowfall totals up to 5 inches, with some potential for higher totals.
- Location of heavy snow bands uncertain.
- Ice accumulations of up to one tenth of an inch possible south of I-10.

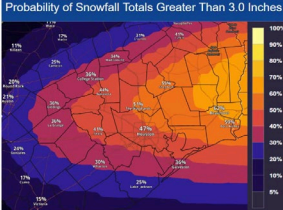
### IMPACTS

- Roads, especially bridges/overpasses, will likely become hazardous.
- Plan on slippery conditions.
- Delay all travel if possible. If travel is absolutely necessary, drive with extreme caution.

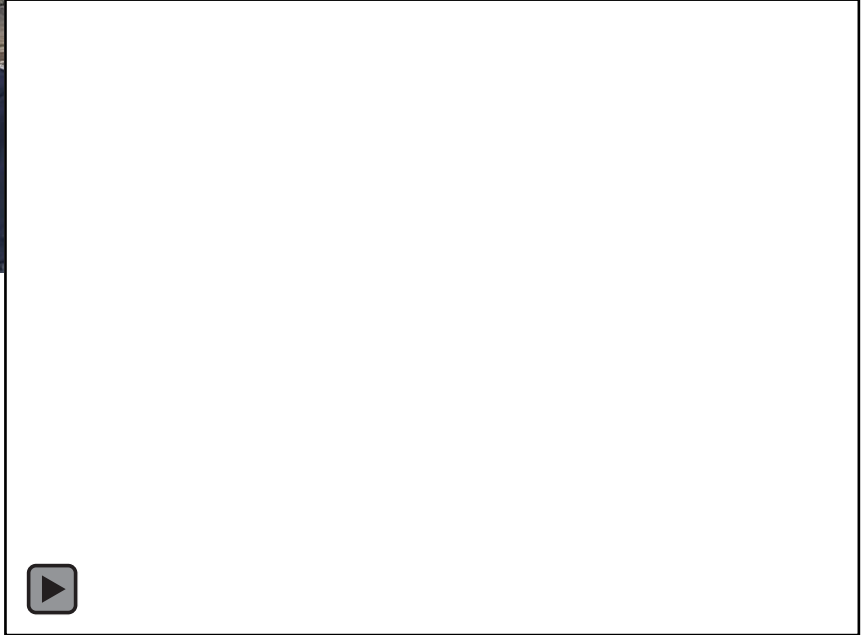
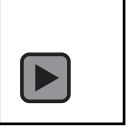
## Heavy Snow Potential

January 19, 2025 6:58 AM

- ### Key Points
- Heavier bands of snow and sleet will likely develop Tuesday morning into early afternoon.
  - Probability graphic to the right gives a general sense of where heavier snow bands could occur (warmer/brighter colors = higher chance).
  - Exactly where these bands develop is uncertain.
  - Snow and sleet totals will vary significantly across southeast Texas.
  - Some potential for locally over 5 inches of snow.
  - Locations with heavier snow will experience colder temperatures Tuesday night and Wednesday morning.



TCPD and TCFD helped as  
well...



# TCISD Gas Leak – May 16



## Texas City Emergency Management

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Gas Line Incident – 14th St & 9th Ave (Palmer Hwy)

2:48PM: UPDATE - 14th and 9th Ave now open.

A 2-inch gas line was punctured by a directional crew in the area of 14th Street and 9th Avenue.

As of 1:17 PM, a mitigation crew is on scene, and multiple agencies including CenterPoint Energy, Texas City Fire Department, Texas City Independent School District, and the Texas City Office of Emergency Management are working quickly and collaboratively to resolve the situation.

Please avoid the area if possible for your safety and to allow crews to work efficiently.

We will provide updates as more information becomes available. Thank you for your patience and cooperation.



# Marathon Refinery Fire – June 14



## Texas City Emergency Management

Published by Allyson Lambert · June 14 ·

Texas City Hazard Conditions Board:

<https://experience.arcgis.com/.../1c0d65e303404397b2ba6ed...>

\*\*\*2:14PM SHELTER IN PLACE LIFTED\*\*\*

\*\*\*LONG SIREN BURST SIGNALLED FOR ALL CLEAR\*\*\*

SHELTER IN PLACE ISSUED - \*\*\*LIFTED AT 2:14PM UPDATE\*\*\*

A shelter in place has been ordered for 29th to Bay St \*\*UPDATE 1:24PM\*\*\*

Please take the following actions immediately:

Go indoors and stay inside.

Close all doors and windows.

Turn off air conditioning or heating systems.

Stay tuned to official channels for updates.

We are actively monitoring the situation and will continue to provide updates as more information becomes available.

TCOEM

\*\*\*Please sign up for alerts at [mytcalerts.com](http://mytcalerts.com)\*\*\*

Shelter in place has been ordered out of precaution due to the smoke settling in the city. TCFE scene at Marathon, both Marathon and TCFD have deployed air monitoring around the city.

Fire under control, for now, no traffic east of 29th.



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### INCIDENT NOTIFICATION

HAZARD TOOL: Texas City Hazard Conditions Board:  
<https://experience.arcgis.com/.../1c0d65e303404397b2ba6e.../>

We are aware of an incident currently occurring at the Marathon facility. Our team is actively monitoring the situation and working closely with the appropriate stakeholders.

We will provide updates as more information becomes available.

Thank you for your patience and cooperation.

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# Valero Sulfur Dioxide Release – August 17



Texas City Road & Hazard Conditions

**Incident Area**

Zoom to

Incident Type: Hazardous Material Incident

Status: Active

Details: Closed for approx 2-3 Hours Valero is experiencing an upset portions of the S Loop have been closed out of precaution. Higher than normal emissions of SO2. Actively Air monitoring in the community with negative response on air monitors as of now 6:45pm. Winds out of the south southeast (150-160°) at 10-12 mph. Monitoring

Waze/Google Maps, DriveTexas, Click Here, NWS Houston Galveston, NWS R...

Details Lists

Hazardous Material Incident
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Moderate



\*\*\*\*UPDATE\*\*\*\*

\*\*\*\*10:35PM Update South Loop is open. Monitoring shows no detections, and Valero reports stable operations. Air monitoring confirms no hazardous conditions, and the incident has been downgraded to Level 1A.\*\*\*\*

We are aware of an upset at the Valero facility. Texas City Emergency Management, in coordination with partner agencies, is actively monitoring the situation. Air monitoring is currently in progress.

As a precaution, FM 519 to 605 S Loop is temporarily closed.

We will continue to provide updates as new information becomes available.

Update: Valero is experiencing an upset, higher than normal emissions of SO2. Actively Air monitoring in the community with negative response on air monitors as of now 6:45pm portions of the S Loop have been closed out of precaution.

8:56PM Update: Valero is reporting conditions are improving, at this time, there is no need for a citywide notification or siren activation, as monitoring confirms there is no hazardous impact to the community. Valero is reporting decreasing emissions; we are continuing to conduct air monitoring alongside Valero and CTEH.

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# Hurricane Beryl Public Assistance Summary

<b>Category</b>	<b>Total Amount</b>	<b>Federal Share</b>	<b>Status</b>
Category A	\$659,599.21	\$494,699.41	Large Project – DHS Approval
Category B	\$13,608.73	\$10,206.55	Complete
Category C	\$0.00	\$0.00	N/A
Category D	\$672,734.39	\$504,550.79	Large Project – DHS Approval
Category E	\$62,381.52	\$46,786.14	Under review at FEMA CRC (slight cost adjustment)
Category F	\$77,736.98	\$58,302.74	Complete
Category G	\$10,727.40	\$8,045.55	Complete
Cat G (Golf Course)	\$36,384.42	\$27,288.32	Requesting Extension
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1,533,172.65</b>	<b>\$1,149,879.50</b>	



# Hurricane Town Hall

# Technology & Situational Awareness

GIS Weather &  
Emergency  
Dashboard built

Real-time radar,  
tide, alerts, Waze,  
NOAA/GOES

Operational  
Mapping

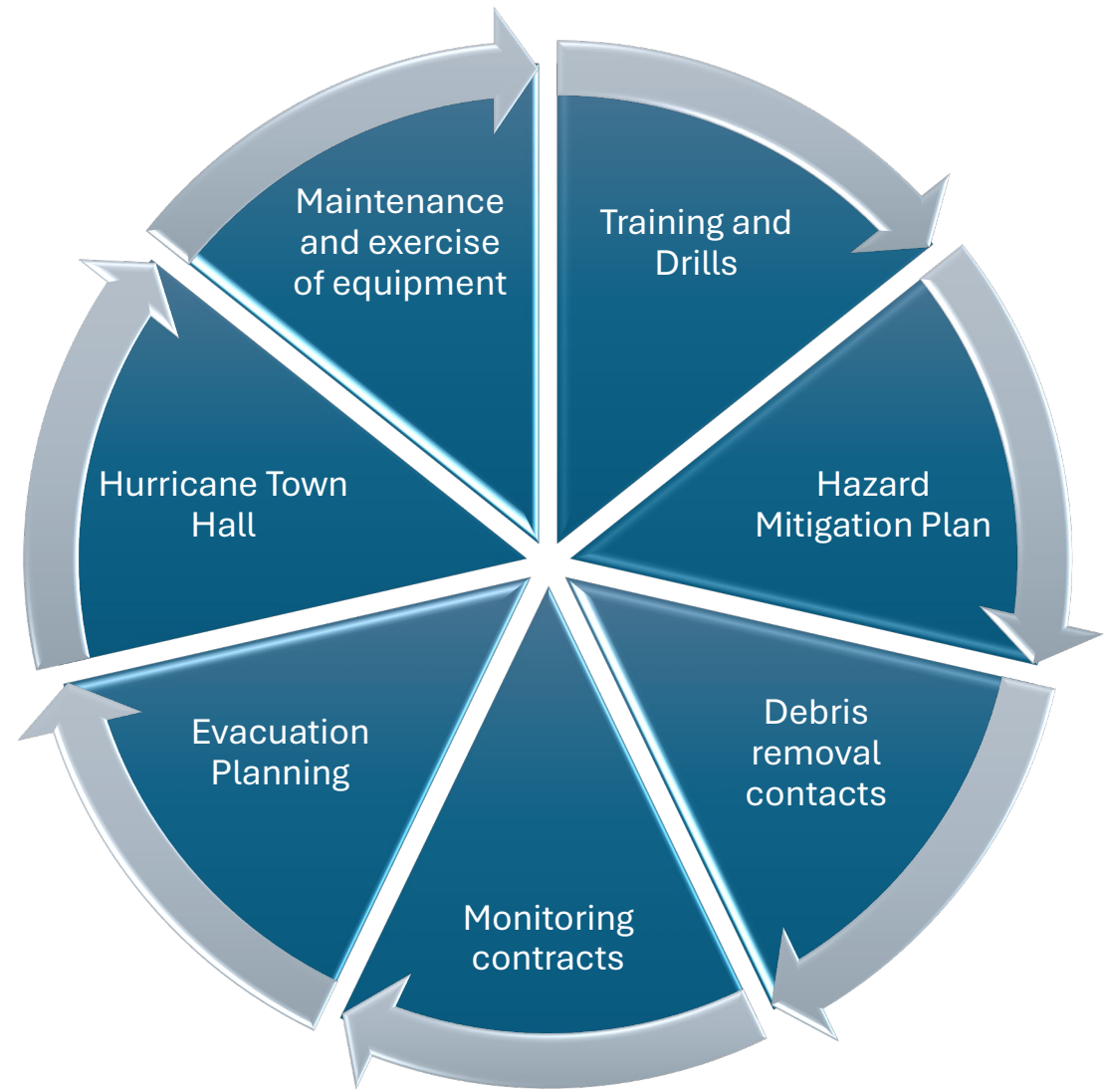
# Organizational Developments

Reorganization: IT  
moved under  
Emergency  
Management

Integrated  
camera & access  
request systems

Streamlined tech  
support &  
communication  
pipelines

When we are  
not  
responding to  
emergencies



# Port & Regional Coordination

Port Security Drill – Port of Texas City

Participated in Marathon security & emergency response exercise

Multi-agency coordination & lessons into city plans

Countywide Evacuation Planning

- Working w/ Galveston County EM
- Cooperative regional evacuation framework
- Integration w/ Texas City plans & state guidance

**Stay up to  
date:**

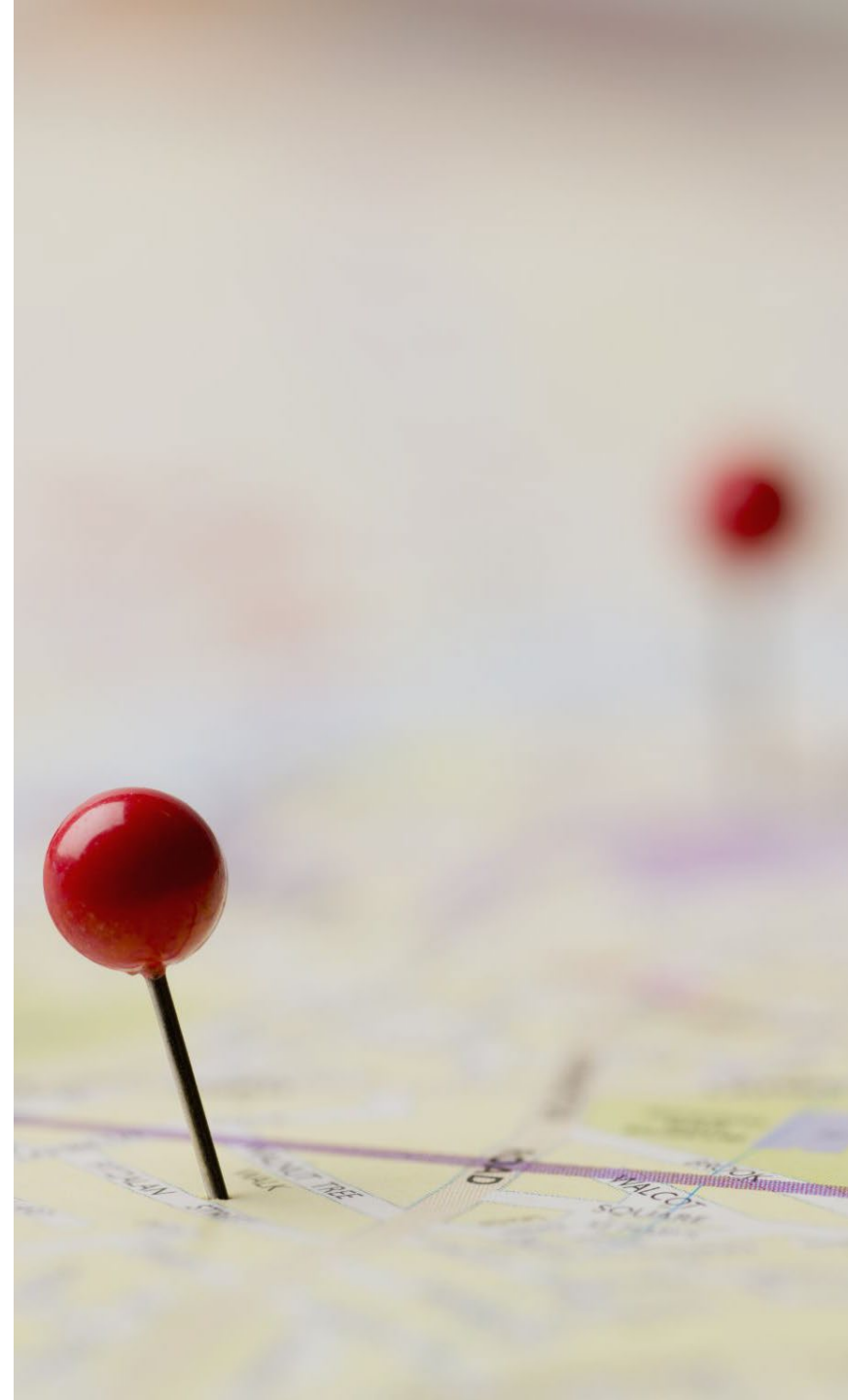
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